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The EPA tentatively linked the contamination to fracking, but the state and energy industries questioned the science behind their study, so they collected a new set of data and are now analyzing it.

DEQ Director Todd Parfitt wouldn't say what he'll do if the results confirm that fracking caused the contamination.

"I don't want to speculate as to what the results will or will not show, and I think once we have all the analysis done and have seen the results, and can agree on what the correct interpretation is, then I think we can start to look at how to move forward with whatever the science tells us," Parfitt said.

Parfitt also says he hopes to improve communication with citizens in areas that are seeing new energy development.

Residents in Converse County worry that new oil wells near their homes could pose environmental and health threats, and they say the DEQ and the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission haven't been taking their concerns seriously.

Parfitt says he's ready to listen and has already spoken with one resident, and with the Oil and Gas Commission.

"I think the key is to have that open communication between the agencies with the community ... and identify those areas where there are concerns and identify what regulations we might have in place that address those particular issues," he said.

Parfitt took over as DEQ director after the former director, John Corra, retired last month.

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SD OIL LEGISLATION

SD legislators draft potential energy protections

(Information in the following story is from: Argus Leader, http://www.argusleader.com)

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) \_ The possibility of an increase in energy production is spurring South Dakota lawmakers to consider a package of legislation aimed at helping get the state ready.

Rep. Tona Rozum of Mitchell tells the Argus Leader (http://argusne.ws/WWUsHH) that South Dakota needs to be better prepared than North Dakota was for its oil boom. North Dakota is dealing with problems such as a lack of affordable housing in the oil patch and damage to roads from oil traffic.

Brookings Rep. Spencer Hawley says a focus will be on helping landowners guard against harm to their property. Rozum says one pressing need is establishing a mediation program to help with disputes between landowners and drilling companies.

A study recently released by the governor's office concluded that a big oil boom in South Dakota isn't likely.

#### DROUGHT-RIVER SHIPPING

Mo. governor, barge industry urge action

ST. LOUIS (AP) \_ The federal government is being warned that cutting the amount of water released from Missouri's upstream reservoir would also reduce flow on the Mississippi River below St. Louis.

Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon and barge industry officials are telling Washington that such a move could cause, quote, "economic disaster."

The drought has left many waterways at historic lows. Nixon sent a letter Friday urging the Army Corps of Engineers to rethink its plans.

Meanwhile, the American Waterways Operators and Waterways Council last week urged Congress and President Barack Obama to act to keep the water flowing.

The Corps said last week that the reduction is the first of several drought conservation measures necessary if drought conditions continue into 2013.

#### FARGO TRAIN FATAL

Homeless man struck by train in Fargo dies

FARGO, N.D. (AP) \_ A homeless man who was struck by a train in Fargo last week has died.

Police say 30-year-old Robert Brown died on Sunday. He had been hospitalized since last Thursday.

Police say Brown had no permanent address. Authorities say he was lying across the tracks when he was hit.

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#### ND MULE DEER

Mule deer production remains low in North Dakota

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) \_ Reproduction of mule deer in North Dakota appears to be mired at record-low levels.

The state Game and Fish Department says biologists who took part in an aerial survey in October counted 1,224 mule deer, a slight increase from 1,055 last year. The fawn-to-doe ratio of 0.59 equaled the lowest ratio since the survey began in 1954. The long-term average is 0.92 fawns per doe.

Big Game Supervisor Bruce Stillings says mule deer densities in the Badlands haven't been this low since 1996. He says the three consecutive harsh winters beginning in 2008 were devastating to the population.

Last winter was one of the mildest on record, but Stillings says it's likely that the reproductive condition of the surviving females was still poor because of the previous three winters.

Man burned trying to save dog from burning camper

(Information in the following story is from: Bismarck Tribune, http://www.bismarcktribune.com)

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) \_ A man suffered burns when he tried to rescue his dog from a burning camper in Bismarck over the weekend.

Police say the man was using a stove to keep warm in the camper parked behind a hotel. They say he fell asleep and awoke to smoke Saturday night. The man escaped but then went back inside to rescue the dog.

The dog was fine but police tell The Bismarck Tribune (http://bit.ly/Q6VqhX ) that the man was taken to a hospital. His condition was not disclosed.

#### RED RIVER SEARCH

Truck found in Red River belonged to NDSU

FARGO, N.D. (AP) \_ Fargo police say a truck found submerged in the Red River over the weekend belongs to North Dakota State University and is believed to have been stolen.

The discovery of the truck on Sunday morning prompted a search for possible occupants who didn't make it out of the vehicle. No one was found.

Police say whoever took the truck probably just put it in gear and let it travel down a hill into the water. The truck was in gear and the keys were in the ignition when it was discovered.

#### **DISASTER LOANS**

More Dakotas businesses eligible for drought loans

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) \_ The U.S. Small Business Administration is making low-interest federal disaster loans available to

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